

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Bradley L. Christenson, of Blaine, Minnesota, and Mark J. Pieloch, of Lincoln, Nebraska, have invented certain new and useful improvements in COATED POTASSIUM CHLORIDE GRANULES AND TABLETS, in which an application is about to be made for Letters Patent of the United States, said application having been executed on even date herewith, and which may be identified in the United States Patent Office by Serial No. _____, filed _____, and

WHEREAS, Upsher-Smith Laboratories, Inc., Corporation of the State of Minnesota, and having an address of 14905 - 23rd Ave. N., Minneapolis, MN 55447, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the said Upsher-Smith Laboratories, Inc., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and the Letters Patent, both foreign and domestic, that may or shall issue, including all rights under the International Convention, and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to the above-mentioned assignee in accordance herewith.

We Hereby Authorize the above-mentioned assignee, its successors and assigns or anyone it may properly designate, to insert in this instrument the filing date and Serial Number of said application when ascertained.

We Further Authorize said assignee, its successors and assigns, or anyone it may properly designate, to apply for Letters Patent, in its own name, if desired, in any and all foreign countries, and additionally to claim the filing date of said United States application and/or otherwise take advantage of the provisions of the International Convention.

We do hereby covenant and agree with the said assignee, its successors and assigns, that we will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that we or our executors or administrators will, at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of said assignee, its successors and assigns, execute such additional writings and do such additional acts as said assignee, its successors and assigns, may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, divisional, reissued or extended Letters Patent of the United States, or of any and all foreign countries on said invention, and in enforcing any rights, occurring as a result of such applications or patents, by giving testimony in any proceedings or transactions involving such applications or patents.

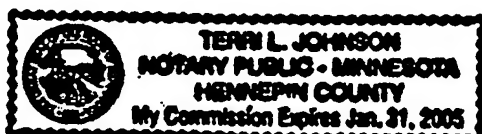
In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals on the date written below.

Bradley L. Christenson
Bradley L. Christenson

10/16/01
Date

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF Hennepin) ss.

On this October 16, 2001 before me personally appeared Bradley L. Christenson, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that s/he executed the same as his/her free act and deed.



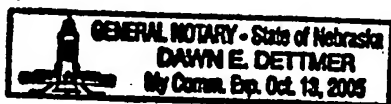
Terri L. Johnson
Notary Public

Mark J. Pieloch
Mark J. Pieloch

10-22-01
Date

STATE OF NEBRASKA)
COUNTY OF CTCE) ss.

On this 22 October 2001 before me personally appeared Mark J. Pieloch, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that s/he executed the same as his/her free act and deed.



Dawn E. Dettmer
Notary Public

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